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NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL

EXTRACTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE INTERIM
COMMITTEE

AT THE OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL, AUGUST 19, 1919, AT
10.00 A.M.

Mr. Angell in the chair.

Present: Messrs. Angell, Barrows, Howe, Ransome, Wood, and by invitation Mr. J. H. J. Yule.

The Chairman presented the resignation of Dr. W. F. Durand as Chairman of the Patent Office Committee of the National Research Council.

Moved: That the resignation of Mr. Durand as Chairman of the Patent Office Committee be accepted with an expression of thanks from the Council for the work which he has done as chairman of this committee. (Adopted.)

Moved: That Mr. L. H. Baekeland be elected Chairman of the Patent Office Committee of the National Research Council. (Adopted.)

The Chairman asked the Interim Committee to give further consideration to the request of Mr. Wade for authority to make purchases against appropriations and allotments already provided for.

Moved: That the Chief Clerk with the Bursar be authorized to make purchases against appropriated funds. (Adopted.)

Moved: That in view of the inability of Mr. Leuschner to return to his duties as Secretary, Mr. Wood be designated Acting Secretary until further action of the Committee. (Adopted.)

The Chairman asked informal consideration as to the advisability of the Chairman sending a letter, giving an outline of the present organization of the National Research Council without personnel, to the heads of the Departments of the Government, stating that the National Research Council had now, after completing its work under the war organization, reorganized under peace conditions and would be glad to consider any matters relating to research which they might desire to have advice upon. It was the sense of the meeting that the Chairman should prepare such a letter and send it to the heads of the Departments of the Government.

The meeting adjourned at 11.25 a.m.

PAUL BROCKETT, *Assistant Secretary.*

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AT THE OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL, OCTOBER 2, 1919, AT
9.15 A.M.

Mr. Angell in the chair.

Present: Messrs. Angell, Bancroft, Barrows, H. E. Howe, Kellogg, McClung, Mathews, Mendenhall, Ransome, Wood, Yerkes.